GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LPG AGENCIES/PETROL PUMPS IN RAJASTHAN
BHERU LAL MEENA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of LPG agencies and petrol pumps allotted in Rajasthan since October, 1999 till date ;

(b) the total number of LPG agencies and petrol pumps so allotted alongwith the names of the persons/parties to whom these have been allotted and the criteria adopted for allotting these LPG agencies and petrol pumps in each case in Rajasthan ; (

(c) whether the Government have received any complaints of the violation of norms in the matter of allotment of LPG agencies and petrol pumps prescribed by the Supreme Court ; and

(d) if so, the number thereof and the action taken thereon by the Government ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d) : Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMC`s) have allotted 90 Retail Outlets and 50 LPG distributorships as pe recommendations made by Dealer Selection Board (DSB) of Rajasthan since October, 1999Besides this, OMC`s have also allotted 26 Retail Outlets and 8 LPG distributorships under `Operation Vijay Scheme` during the same period.

Selection of Retail Outlets and LPG distributorships are made through Dealer Selection Board in accordance with the prescribed procedure on merit. Allotment under `Operation Vijay Scheme` has been made as per recommendations received from Directorate General Re-settlement, Ministry of Defence.

Complaints against selection of dealers/distributors of petroleum products are received from time to time and action is taken on them after investigation. A Grievance Redressal Systemis provided in the existing guidelines for selection of dealers/distributors for Retail Outlet dealerships, LPG distributorships and SKO-LDO dealerships, whereby the concerned oil company conducts enquiry in respect of all complaints against selection of dealers/distributors. The complaints against the empanelled candidates are investigated by two officers of the concerned oil marketing company. The inquiry report is forwarded by the oil marketing company to the DSB.The Chairman, in consultation with the other members of the DSB, examines the report with reference to the complaint and conveys his directions/ order for compliance by the oil company